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<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	<b>Mark Butler - President</b>
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	<b>Livestock Proposal Meeting</b>
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Mark Butler, Kelly Anderson, Wendy Dahl, Shamus Haws, Tandie Watterson, Monte Jensen, Mike Coronado, Justin Martin, Ronnie Bastian, Doug Madsen, Amanda Butler, Deklyn Jessen, Will Gleave, Josh Allan, Taylee Akerman, Sam Taylor, Jay Holcomb, Byron Christiansen, Marynn Moody, Riata Christiansen.
<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p><b>Meeting scheduled to discuss a Livestock Proposal that was approved by majority of the Executive Board by email in May 2017</b> (A Copy of the Livestock Proposal attached to these minutes)</p> <p><b>EXECUTIVE BOARD SESSION</b></p> <p><b>Welcome: Mark Butler</b> -Mark welcomed all board members in attendance and asked that the following members be excused: Russ Stebar as he had a work obligation. Ben German as he requested to be removed from this discussion and vote due to possible conflict of interest. Jade McAllister due to family needs. Marynn Moody will also be late due to travelling home from Little Britches.</p> <p>-Emily Rogers from the Spikers club was invited to the meeting to discuss her experiences in being a new secretary and a few difficulties she faced in trying to acquire bids for rough stock for her rodeo.</p> <p>-Mark encouraged all board members to take a proactive role in contacting the clubs they are over this year and reaching out to offer and provide help and support to the club secretaries and their needs.</p> <p><b>Days of 47</b> -Kelly Anderson reported on a request received by our association from the Days of 47 rodeo committee in needing volunteers for their upcoming rodeos at the Utah State Fair Park. Tandie Watterson will be over organization of the volunteers.</p> <p>-The Days of 47 Committee is on schedule for a scholarship donation to our association.</p> <p>-On Monday, July 17, 2017 there will be an unveiling of a memorial statue honoring the late Lewis Feild at the State Fair Park in Salt Lake City.</p> <p><b>Jr High Nationals Report</b> -Kelly Anderson expressed congratulations to our Jr High National Champion Kade Madsen and the entire Jr High team for how well they performed and provided support to him as the National Director.</p>

### **Livestock Proposal Discussion**

-Prior to this meeting a fine was issued to a contractor for violation of the UHSRA Contractor's Contract. The fine was rescinded at mid-winter meeting on the basis of a gray area in the definition of a professional animal. The Livestock Committee was assigned to rewrite the Contractor's Contract.

-Due to complaints and requests brought to the Livestock Committee the Livestock Proposal was initiated. The intent of the proposal was to help with issues of safety, stock quality, quality of pick up men and bull fighters, and to allow members the chance to vote on the animals they wanted to see at State Finals after being able to try them out throughout the year. The proposal would have eliminated the Contractor's Contract.

#### **-Discussion items brought up in the Executive Session:**

- The proposal doesn't address all the safety concerns.
- We need stock our members can learn on and progress.
- Clubs would still like the right to choose their contractor.
- There is need for the contractors to work for our association and be willing to make the changes needed.
- It is the responsibility of the parents, the association, and the contractors to help and educate the members of the association.
- Members need to attend safety clinics.
- The Contractor's Contract needs to be re-written so consequences of violation can be implemented.
- Suggestion to have all bullfighters and pick up men be approved card holders of the association. If they are not approved they shouldn't be used.

MONTE JENSEN MOVES TO RESCIND THE CURRENT LIVESTOCK PROPOSAL. SECONDED BY TANDIE WATTERSON. VOTE WAS TABLED UNTIL AFTER THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.

### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP SESSION**

#### **Welcome:**

Mark Butler welcomes all who are in attendance. He admonishes the group to be positive and bring suggestions that will move the organization forward in the best way possible; to please keep order and raise hands.

**Address of Proposal:** (The membership received copies of the Livestock Proposal by email prior to this meeting).

-Doug Madsen, Chairman of the Livestock Committee addressed the membership and explained the reasons behind the Livestock Proposal and stated that if it wasn't in the best interest of our members he didn't want it

#### **-Discussion items brought up in the General Session:**

- Clubs would like to be able to make their own choices about their contractors.
- Some clubs stated that they allow their members to choose the stock contractors.
- It was suggested that the members be allowed to pick the stock, the pickup men and bullfighters.

- It was suggested that the board set the standard for pick up men and bullfighters then let the clubs pick from that list and still pick their own contractors.
- A statement was made that some professional bulls are easier to ride and they maybe shouldn't be eliminated.
- Suggestion to allow the members to tell the Event Director's which animals should be pulled out.
- An adult Director should be behind the chutes helping the members.
- A member stated that as a rough stock rider he knows the animals and could give advice on those that are safe.
- It is difficult in our organization to match all the levels of abilities in our riders.
- Our state has been successful in the past because of the variety of animals they can ride.
- Suggestion to have a drop box for members to write up animals that have poor or unsafe performances and leave them in a box anonymously. Once an animal is written up three times then the animal needs to be taken from the draws.
- Statements read from articles written by world champions concerning the younger generation and in helping them get the best learning opportunities.
- Suggestion that getting rid of the one day rodeos could help the contractors with more options for choosing quality stock instead of bringing all they have.
- We need to utilize the Contractor's Contract and make it work.
- Bidding brings competition and keeps the process fair.
- Safety should be our number one concern.
- Suggestion to have the Livestock Committee write a contract that can be passed back and forth between the Association and the Contractors as well as passed by a lawyer to ensure that we can implement it properly. Have a qualified list of pick up men and bull fighters that must be approved card holders. Clubs will send out a bid to each contractor and return their bids with the club choice and reasons for their choice to the state secretary.
- Suggestion to have the contractors write their card number on the contracts so a club can't say they are working under a contractor as a sub without proper permission.
- An idea was brought forward to have the rough stock fees increased to help clubs compensate putting on performance rodeos.
- It was brought up that there is a rough stock practice session to take place. Circle J will get the information to Tandie Watterson.
- Our State Finals Rough Stock Contract will go up for bid this year.

**Days of 47 information discussed above was presented to the membership in attendance and will be sent out by email.**

**General Meeting Adjourned and Executive Board Session resumed.**

VOTE ON TABLED MOTION TO RESCIND THE LIVESTOCK PROPOSAL. 15 VOTED IN FAVOR WHICH WAS MAJORITY OF THOSE IN ATTENDANCE. MOTION CARRIED.

JOSH ALLAN MOVES TO HAVE THE LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE REWORK THE CURRENT CONTRACTOR'S CONTRACT. SECONDED BY WILL GLEAVE. MOTION CARRIED.

The Livestock Committee will re-write the contract before the first HS rodeo this fall and send by email to the Executive Board for review.

The Executive Board will meet at the South Summit Rodeo in August to discuss and vote on the new contract.

KELLY ANDERSON MOVES TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. SECONDED BY SHAMUS HAWS. MEETING ADJOURNED.